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Dear Mr. Legare:

RE: Early start for 903 Outer Lip Remediation

As was discussed in last week's project coordinator meeting, EPA will allow DOE to begin remediation of the 903 Outer Lip area prior to the final approval of the Interim Measure/Interim Remedial Action for IHSS Group 900-11, on the condition that the sampling and analysis approach will be performed as described for the 903 Inner Lip Area that is currently in progress. This approach includes laying out a grid over the entire area to be remediated prior to starting work and assigning identifying location numbers and/or letters to each cell. These procedures are more completely specified in the Sampling and Analysis Plan FY04 Addendum #BZ-04-01, sections 3.2 and 4.3, Figure 5, dated March 2004 and differ from Section 5.1.1.3.2 on Confirmation Sampling that was presented in the first draft of the IM/IRA. Of course, beginning this activity prior to final approval of the IM/IRA will put DOE at some risk of changing the project approach in order to comply with the final document.

If you have any questions in regards to these comments, please call Gary Kleeman at 303 312-6246.

Sincerely,

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